

In the Claims:

Previously Canceled claims 1-11.

12. (Currently Amended) An article of jewelry comprising:

- a) a flexible conductor having an exterior coating of non-conductive composition;
- b) said conductor forming a loop having first and second discontinuities;
- c) a clasp located within said first discontinuity;
- d) a medallion located within said second discontinuity;
- e) said medallion includes a body consisting of a single aperture linear channel with a first point of entry and a second point of entry; and
- f) a light emitting diode located substantially within said channel in said body of said medallion, wherein said housed within said aperture light emitting diode having a first electrode adapted to communicate with said first point of entry and a second electrode adapted to communicate with said second point of entry.

13. (Original) The article of claim 12, further comprising a conductor from one of said discontinuities in secure contact with a terminal receptor of said light emitting diode.

14. (Original) The article of claim 12, further comprising said light emitting diode in a radially equidistant position from an exterior surface of said medallion.

15. (Original) The article of claim 14, wherein said radially equidistant position of said light emitting diode provides an even distribution of illumination.

16. (Currently Amended) An article of jewelry comprising:

- a flexible conductor having an exterior coating of non-conductive composition;
- said conductor forming a loop having first and second discontinuities;
- a clasp located within said first discontinuity;
- a medallion located with a second discontinuity, wherein said medallion includes

a body consisting of a single piece having a property selected from a group consisting of: transparent, translucent, tinted, and combinations thereof; and

said medallion consisting of a single ~~aperture~~ linear channel adapted to receive a light emitting diode, wherein said light emitting diode has a first electrode adapted to communicate with a first point of entry of said linear channel and a second electrode adapted to communicate with a second point of entry of said linear channel.

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18. (Currently Amended) The article of claim 16, wherein said ~~aperture~~ linear channel extends from a first exterior surface of said medallion to a second exterior surface of said medallion.

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20. (Original) The article of claim 16, wherein said clasp includes a housing having a first aperture adapted to receive a proximal end of said conductor from one of said loop discontinuities.

21. (Original) The article of claim 20, wherein said proximal end of said conductor is joined to an electrode with a cross sectional area greater than a cross sectional area of said first aperture.

22. (Original) The article of claim 16, further comprising a battery adapted to be in communication with said clasp.

23. (Previously Presented) The article of claim 12, wherein said light emitting diode is a surface mount light emitting diode.

24. (Previously Presented) The article of claim 16, wherein said light emitting diode is a surface

mount light emitting diode.

25. (Amended) An article comprising:

a flexible conductor forming a loop having first and second discontinuities;

a medallion located with one of said discontinuities, wherein said medallion includes a body consisting of a single piece having a property selected from a group consisting of: transparent, translucent, tinted, and combinations thereof; and

a surface mount light emitting diode housed within an aperture a linear channel formed in said medallion, wherein said light emitting diode has a first electrode adapted to communicate with a first point of entry of said linear channel and a second electrode adapted to communicate with a second point of entry of said linear channel..

26. (Previously Presented) The article of claim 25, wherein said surface mount light emitting diode is adapted to emit light from within said aperture.

27. (Previously Presented) The article of claim 25, wherein said aperture extends from a first exterior surface of said medallion to a second exterior surface of said medallion.

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